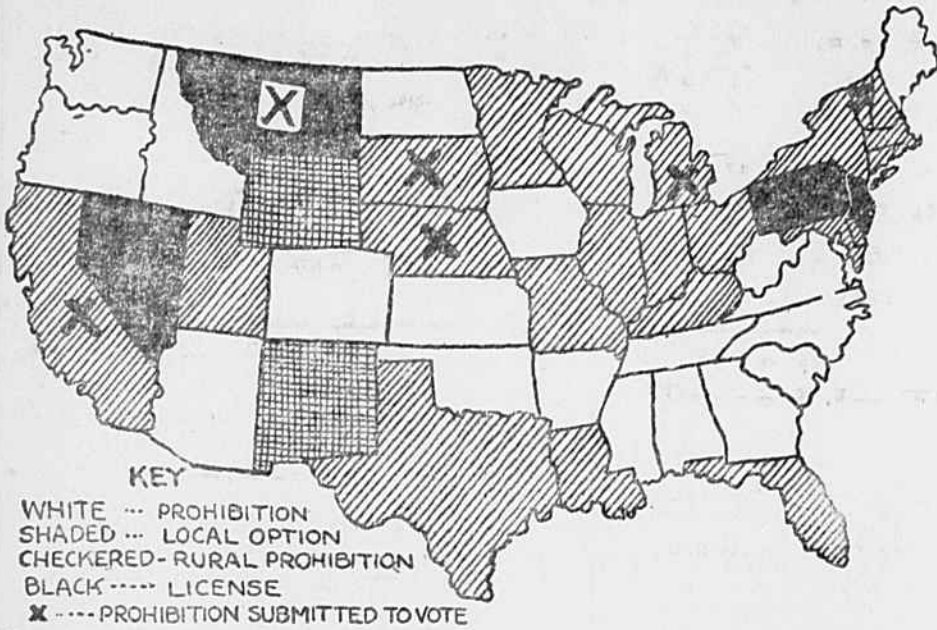


NATION GROWS DRYER EACH YEAR; IS PROHIBITION AHEAD?



CHICAGO, Dec. 17.—Has the prohibition wave reached its flood or will it sweep the country? Is the present furor fighting the battle of the Marine or the storming of Bismarck?

This question is brought forcibly forward by the remarkable record of the drys in 1915 and by the news reports received from almost every state telling of the arduous preparation made by both sides in the conflict for the critical campaign of 1916.

Nineteen states now have dry laws. Of these seven (Arkansas, Washington, Idaho, Colorado, Oregon and South Carolina) have enacted prohibition decrees which come into effect the first day of next month; while Virginia's prohibition law starts operation November 1, 1916.

Prohibition leaders are flushed with victory. In the year 1915 six states (Vermont, Michigan, South Dakota, Nebraska, Montana, California) and probably a seventh (Florida) will vote on prohibition. The dry generals assert they will capture a large proportion of these, besides gaining victories in local option fights in every commonwealth of the union not already in the dry column.

On the other hand, the brewers and distillers call to attention the fact that in 1899 a prohibition wave dashed nearly as high as this one. Between 1850 and 1860 twelve states (Illinois, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, and Vermont, Connecticut, Delaware, Indiana, Iowa, Michigan, Nebraska, New Hampshire and New York) enacted prohibition and later Kansas and both the Dakotas had joined the dry ranks.

The movement soon died out, all except three of the dry states repealing or amending their laws to such an extent as to make them inoperative. The three states that remained dry were Maine, Kansas and North Dakota.

The liquor magnates say they detect signs that the present movement is in the same state as the previous one was just twenty-five years ago. Throughout the country, they say, a reaction is setting in.

The brewers declare their efforts to prove beers and light wines not deleterious to health or prosperity have been convincing. The evils of prohibition, "near beer," "bootlegging" and hypocrisy are being more largely recognized they maintain, and the people are changing from fanaticism to a more moderate and reasonable attitude.

It is indeed true, as the liquor men state, that anti-drink sentiment has risen and fallen in this country. The flood tide of 1890 was not the first one.

The first great movement for temperance was seen a century ago. Moral suasion was the reliance of the reformers and the force of the movement soon died out.

There is observable in the prohibition movement a constant tendency to get closer to the seat of the trouble. First the drinker was attacked. Then the liquor dealer was the object of assault, and today the drys are after the manufacturer, the brewer, the distiller and the interstate dealers.

As it will stand when laws now en-

acted go into effect, local option will prevail in all states except the nineteen prohibition states, while four states (Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Nevada and Montana) have not even local option laws.

To swing these four thoroughly wet states and twenty-five local option states into line the prohibitionists have marshalled a big army in Washington this winter and these efforts are being made to have passed at this session of Congress a constitutional amendment which when ratified by the required number of states would leave not a wet spot in the whole nation.

There are many interesting phases to the prohibition struggle in the different states. On January 1, when the repeal of the Muley law goes into effect making the state of Iowa dry, there will be closed 483 saloons and eight breweries. Four of the breweries located at Dubuque, Burlington, Keokuk and Sioux City will move across the line into adjoining states. The Cedar Rapids and Iowa City

breweries will begin making ice cream and soft drinks, while the Des Moines brewery will be turned into a factory to manufacture telephone equipment.

Many manufacturers in Indiana are seriously considering discontinuing the manufacture of whisky and making only raw alcohol on account of the enormous demand from the warring nations of Europe.

The Elk Run and Latonia distilleries in Kentucky and the Baltimore plant of the Kentucky Distilleries and Warehouse Company, have been fitted up to manufacture alcohol as part of a contract for 20,000 tank cars of alcohol needed by powder companies in this country and Europe. The Kentucky company has contracted to furnish 3,000,000 gallons of alcohol a month for a year. To fire one of the great guns of the warring nations requires the equivalent of fifty gallons of alcohol, which takes twenty bushels of corn or fifty gallons of molasses to manufacture.

WEST VIRGINIA BRIEFS

HUNTINGTON: John Vallance, 50, prominent citizen, died suddenly of heart disease while sitting in a chair in his home on Third avenue.

WESTON: W. F. Brown, a motorist on the trolley line between Weston and Clarksburg, was seriously wounded in the abdomen by the accidental discharge of a shotgun while out hunting.

ELKINS: Michael Perchon and Carl Brown, coal miners, were instantly killed when the mine of the Moore and Keppel Company at Cass City caved in shortly after the men had gone to work. Their bodies were recovered soon after the accident.

GRAFTON: Martin F. Green, train dispatcher of the Baltimore and Ohio railroad, died in a sanitarium at Mount Hope, Md., of a nervous breakdown.

WHEELING: The Neutraglyne Company, capitalized at \$4,000,000, has declared an extra cash dividend of three per cent payable January 3. This is in addition to the regular dividend of twelve per cent per annum, payable quarterly.

CHARLESTON: Judge B. F. Keller of the federal court for the southern district has entered an order directing United States Marshal William Osborne to surrender to officers from the northern district Oliver Adams, held in the Cabell county jail on a Mann "white slave" charge.

CHARLESTON: Arguments were made before the public service commission on the petition of a rehearing of the Benwood and McMeichen Consolidated Water Company. This company went into the hands of a receiver about the time the commission permitted a slight increase in its

rates charged to water consumers.

CHARLESTON: The Kimball Drug Company, of Kimball, to conduct a wholesale and retail drug business has been chartered with an authorized capital of \$7,500. The directors are W. B. Stevens, Charles Wagner, Saul Spaeher, R. J. Dugan and H. W. Spaeher, all of Kimball. The Cloverdale Oil and Gas Company, of Mountsville, capitalized at \$100,000, was incorporated. It will operate in Harrison county. The incorporators are W. S. Boyson, O. V. Aull, J. C. Myers, F. M. Howard and James A. Schaub, all of Mountsville.

CHARLESTON: With the finding of a half dozen dynamite sticks, equipped with caps and fuses, hidden under a pile of leaves under the Lottell street bridge, the largest bridge in Charleston, the police believe they have unearthed a plot to dynamite that structure. The dynamite was discovered by boys, who were playing with the explosives rather carelessly by the police.

CHARLESTON: The Baltimore and Ohio railroad company has announced the appointment of Mrs. C. H. White of Rockville, Md., as chaperon for parties of young women traveling on the lines of the company. The department of chaperons is an innovation, but will be made permanent. These appointees will accompany parties of girl pupils to and from their home and school. The appointees began their work this week.

LAWS OF NATURE SHOULD BE OBSERVED

By Women, Says Bulletin Issued by the Health Commissioner of Pennsylvania.

HARRISBURG, Pa., Dec. 17.—Well being of the woman engaged in some commercial pursuit does not depend entirely upon the hours and working conditions established by her employer. Much depends on the woman herself, according to Dr. Samuel G. Dixon, the state commissioner of health, who discusses "Health of the Business Woman" in his "Little Talk on Health and Hygiene" this week.

Commissioner Dixon urges all women to observe simple, natural laws which must be followed if health is to be preserved, and he presses home the point that at a busy time such as the present it is far better to neglect some small things than to suffer a breakdown after Christmas. Doctor Dixon says:

8,000,000 Women Wage Earners. "There are more than 8,000,000 women wage earners in the United States. They are represented in almost every branch of commercial activity.

"The question of the health of women workers is one of the utmost importance, not alone on account of the efficiency of the individual, but because the future welfare of the race may be materially affected by the health of these potential mothers.

"A woman's nervous organization is more sensitive than that of a man. In many trades, occupations and employments this very fact has been responsible for woman's success. Good taste, tact and deftness are qualities which

should be cultivated to secure the greatest value from the services of female employees.

"The maximum number of hours of labor may not always bring the maximum of production. Scientific efficiency experts have proved that short hours and reasonable rest periods often result in increased production. Nearly all corporations and large employers of women workers have learned that by making adequate provision for the care of their employees, their efficiency is increased.

Gives Four Essential Rules. "The woman in business should remember that within certain limitations her well being rests largely in her own hands.

"There are four essentials to good health: 'Eight hours' sleep in the fresh air, regular exercise, sensible clothing and wholesome food. Without these neither men nor women can maintain their physical well being for any lengthy period.

"No woman should try working on her nerves. This may be kept up for quite a while when pleasure or the demands of business tempt one to rob themselves of the necessary amount of rest. Invariably one must foot the bills, so, in the end the reaction is apt to prove dangerous.

"At this season of the year thousands of women are working under a continual strain. They should recognize this and for the time being cut pleasures and devote themselves to getting sufficient rest outside of working hours to carry them through the stress of the holiday business conditions. Better, too, a few personal preparations for Christmas neglected than to risk a breakdown after the holidays."

PAYS NO TAXES

Though a Citizen of the United States, He Lives on Island in River.

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 17.—Arthur Lytle, a farmer who owns over 1,200 acres of land on which he grows tobacco and other profitable commodities, is a full fledged citizen of the United States, but not of any state and he pays no taxes.

WHITE SOX ANGLE FOR FRITZ MAISEL



Fritz Maisel.

Owner Comiskey of the Chicago White Sox is trying to get Fritz Maisel of the New York American team. Comiskey needs a good frisky man on third, and Fritz seems to be the best man in sight for the job. There is a lot of money behind the White Sox and Comiskey is determined to win the pennant if hard cash will do it.

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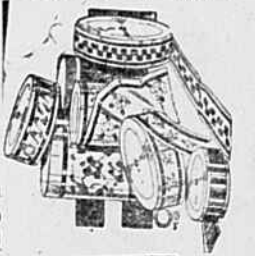
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